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SUBJECT: SPAINSH REQUEST FOR US SUPPORT ON CANARIES ISSUE

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1. FIVE-MAN SPANISH PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF SOCIALIST, COMMUNIST AND LEFTIST PARTIES VISITED TANZANIA JUNE 11-13 TO DISCUSS AFRICAN ISSUES. SPANISH GROUP, LED BY PARLIAMENTARY FGJEIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE HEAD MARIANO AGUICAR, MET WITH PRIME MINISTER SOKOINE AND FOREIGN MINISTER MKAPA.

2. ACCORDING TO TANZANIAN NEWS AGENCY (SHIHATA) ACCOUNT OF MEETING WITH SOKOINE, SPANISH DELEGATION ASKED THAT TANGOV ACCEPT FACT THAT CANARIES WERE AN INTEGRAL PART OF SPAIN. SOKOINE WAS REPORTED TO HAVE SAID THAT TANGOV COULD ONLY TAKE A POSITION ON CANARIES AFTER OAU FACT-FINDING MISSION HAD CHANCE TO STUDY POLITICAL SITUATION THERE. HE URGED SPANISH TO ALLOW OAU MISSION TO VISIT. VISITORS REPORTEDLY REPLIED THAT SPANISH GOVERNMENT WAS PREPARED TO ALLOW OAU
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SECRETARY GENERAL TO VISIT AND MAKE AN ASSESSMENT. IF OAU SYG STILL CONSIDERED FACT-FINDING MISSION NECESSARY, SOCIALIST AND COMMUNIST PARTIES WOULD ASK SPANISH GOVERNMENT TO AGREE.

3. SOKOINE TOOK ISSUE WITH SPAIN'S HANDLING OF WESTERN SAHARA. HE SAID TANGOV BELIEVED THAT SPAIN

STILL HAD POLITICAL, MORAL AND LEGAL OBLIGATIONS TO
DECOLONIZE THE TERRITORY. HE REAFFIRMED TANGOV SUPPORT
FOR POLISARIO. SHIHATA REPORTED AGUICAR SAID SPAIN
HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE TERRITORY ANY MORE. SOKOINE
REPORTEDLY REPLIED THAT THE SAHARAN QUESTION WAS A
WEAK POINT IN TANZANIAN-SPANISH RELATIONS. THESE
RELATIONS, HOWEVER, WERE "SO FAR GOOD."

4. COMMENT. TANGOV PROBABLY VIEWS CANARIES ISSUE,
AS IT DOES WESTERN SAHARA, AS A COLONIAL MATTER WHICH
SHOULD BE SETTLED BY ACCEPTED PROCEDURES FOR DECOLO-
NIZATION. TANGOV WILL SUPPORT POSITION ON CANARIES TAKEN
BY OAU MAJORITY BUT IS UNLIKELY TO TAKE A LEADING ROLE IN
FORMULATING THAT POSITION. AT THE MOMENT, THIS MEANS STICKING
WITH FACT-FINDING MISSION. WE DOUBT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO
ASSIST SPANISH IN BUDGING TANGOV FROM THIS VIEW.
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